| Title | Civil Forfeiture in Drug Cases: Form for Opposing (amend form MC-200, Claim Opposing Forfeiture) | |
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| Summary | The proposed revision of optional form MC-200, <i>Claim Opposing Forfeiture</i> , would update the form to assist clerks in determining whether to collect filing fees, and to make other technical amendments. | |
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| Discussion | Form MC-200, Claim Opposing Forfeiture, is a Judicial Councilapproved form used in forfeiture proceedings arising under Health and Safety Code section 11488.5. In those proceedings, there is no filing fee if the claim is for \$5,000 or less. (Health & Saf. Code, § 11488.5(a)(3).) The current version of the form, however, does not specify the amount claimed, making it difficult for clerks to determine whether to charge a filing fee. The proposed amendment to form MC-200 would add a checkbox, item 3 on page one, stating whether the value of the claim is (1) \$5,001 or more or (2) \$5,000 or less. The proposal also includes technical amendments to the Spanish form of notice in form MC-200, to correct certain typographical errors. | |
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| ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, state bar number, and address): | FOR COURT USE ONLY |
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| TELEPHONE NO. (Optional): | |
| E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional): FAX NO. (Optional): | |
| ATTORNEY FOR (Name): | |
| SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF | |
| STREET ADDRESS: | |
| MAILING ADDRESS: | DRAFT-3 |
| CITY AND ZIP CODE: | |
| BRANCH NAME: | |
| THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA | |
| CLAIMED PROPERTY: | |
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| CLAIMANT (NAME): | |
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| CLAIM OPPOSING FORFEITURE (Health & Saf. Code, § 11488.5) | CASE NUMBER: |
| In response to a judicial petition for forfeiture (use existing case No.) | |
| In response to notice of administrative proceedings | |
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| 1. Claimant (name): is an individual corporation other (specify): | |
| 2. Claimed property (describe): | |
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| 3. Value of claim is \$5,000 or less \$5,001 or more (Health & \$ | Saf. Code, § 11488.5(a)(3).) |
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NOTICE

- You must file your claim within 30 days after you receive personal or mailed notice that your property may be forfeited. If you do not receive personal or mailed notice, you must file your claim within 30 days after notice is first published in a newspaper.
- Your claim must be filed in the county where the property was seized. If the property was not seized, file your claim in the county where the property is located. If you have received a notice, you can find the address of the court on that notice.
- Within 30 days after filing your claim, serve a copy on the District Attorney or Attorney General. The copy must have the court clerk's filing stamp on it.

This notice is urgent. If you do not understand it, you must seek help.

AVISO

- 1. Usted debe presentar su demanda dentro de los 30 días siguientes a la fecha en que recibe, personalmente o por correo, el aviso de que sus bienes pueden ser confiscados. Si no recibe dicho aviso, deberá presentar su reclamo dentro de los 30 días siguientes a la fecha en que el aviso está publicado por vez primera en un periódico.
- Su demanda debe presentarse en el condado donde fueron confiscados los bienes. Si los bienes no han sido confiscados, presente su demanda en el condado donde están ubicados los bienes. Si ha recibido el aviso, busque la dirección de la corte en el aviso.
- 3. Dentro de los 30 días siguientes a la fecha en que presentó su demanda, envíe una copia de la notificación judicial a la oficina del Fiscal (District Attorney) o del Procurador General (Attorney General). La copia debe llevar el sello del actuario de la corte encargado de recibir las demandas.

Esta notificación es urgente. Si usted no la entiende, debe pedir ayuda.

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| CLAIMANT (Name): | CASE NUMBER: | | |
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| CLAIMED PROPERTY: | | | |
| 4. Claimant has an interest in the claimed property. Claimant a. is the owner. For vehicles (cars, boats, planes, etc.) only: registere b. has a security interest or is a lien holder has a right to possess. c. is the personal representative of the estate of the owner, lessee, or secured pother (specify): | | | |
| 5. Claimant's interest in the right to or value of the claimed property is a. all part (specify nature, amount, or percentage): | | | |
| b. unknown. | | | |
| 6. Claimant requests a that the claimed property not be ordered forfeited. b that claimant's interest in the claimed property not be ordered forfeited. c costs of suit. d other (specify): | | | |
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| 7. Number of pages attached: | | | |
| Date: | | | |
| (TYPE OR PRINT NAME) | (SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT) | | |
| VERIFICATION | | | |
| I am the claimant in this proceeding and have read this claim. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. | | | |
| Date: | (SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT) | | |
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